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Vicki Brooker photo

Heinsburg's little hall that grew

From a modest beginning, the many-times-enlarged Heinsburg Community Hall stands as a testament to the hard work and dedication of 50 years of community club members, who will celebrate their half century as an incorporated society this Saturday evening.

Heinsburg Community Club will celebrate a half century

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Heinsburg Community Club will celebrate 50 years as a registered society this

Saturday with an evening open house showcasing the club's history and honouring its founders.

"We have five of the founding members

able to attend," Marjorie Scott says. "Three of them, Alice Gregor, Colleen and Babe Sharkey, are still active with the club."

Scott says the club has invited the original people or representatives of their families to attend this "celebration of 50 years of cooperative effort. We're very proud of what has been accomplished over the years."

One of the club's major accomplishments has been its hall, which had been started before the incorporation took place.

"There was one function before the roof was even on," Scott says. She adds that the hall has grown to its present size in seven stages, "and we're just completing another renovation, with a larger deck and garden doors for the seniors' area."

What started in 1959 as a small community hall has become, over the past five

decades, "a pretty fancy facility," Scott says. "It has almost everything a person could need."

The now-spacious hall is likely to be filled to capacity Aug. 29, when current and past members come back to enjoy a walk down memory lane, Heinsburg style, followed by some of the good country entertainment that packs the hall on a regular basis.

The community club also is working on a history book project, which started when several members started reading through the old club meeting minute books and decided the activities the club has undertaken over the years should be saved for posterity. When invitations to the celebration were sent out this spring, a request was also made for photos and memories to be included in the book.

Derwent couple loses \$2.8 million hog operation to fire

By JANICE HUSER
Review Contributor

Although the loss of the Gulayecs' \$2.8 million pig breeding business due to a fire last week has been hard to swallow, Don Gulayec, of Deeze Farms, located in the Derwent area, can only acknowledge the hard work of the fire departments that responded to the fire, and the community support received over the past seven days.

"I think everybody did what they could," said Don, over the phone Monday morning, after a hectic week of meeting with various people.

He adds that the last week has felt more like a year.

"It's quite the experience. I can't put any other words to it."

Just before midnight on Aug. 17, Don and his wife Debbie were awakened by a cell phone call from a neighbour passing by, asking if they were home. Don made his way to the kitchen to get better cell phone reception, which is when he looked out the window and saw the barn on fire.

The fire would kill all 900 sows inside the barn, along with over 1,000 piglets.

Fire departments from Derwent, Myrnam, Clondonald, Elk Point and Two Hills responded to the fire.

"I've been on the fire department for years," explained Don, adding, he was amazed at how well the firefighters worked and how co-ordinated they all were. The biggest concern for the firefighters was having enough water to work with. But, while one group battled the blaze itself, another group was busy setting up the water, along with a trucking company that was hauling in bulk water.

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Grandparents Day planned

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Grandparents' Day, on Sunday, Sept. 13 "is creeping up on us very fast," says organizer Diana Anderson, who met recently with a group of interested individuals to plan this year's celebration at the Elk Point Seniors' Recreation Centre.

"It's a celebration to honour all grandparents," she notes, "and you don't have to be a grandparent or even have a grandparent in this area to come and take part. It's a family day to honour grandparents around the world, and everybody is welcome."

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RCMP report stabbing in Frog Lake

By Cst. John Spaans

Elk Point RCMP Detachment

On August 12, 2009 at approximately 11:30 p.m., Elk Point RCMP and the Elk Point EMS responded to a stabbing at a residence in Frog Lake, AB. Two females engaged in a verbal argument when one of them introduced a weapon. The two wrestled for the weapon with one of the females receiving multiple stab wounds to her upper body and the other receiving a cut to the face. The female who suffered multiple wounds was treated for non-life threatening injuries. Investigation into the matter is ongoing and charges are pending.

Assault on a youth

On August 13, 2009 Elk Point RCMP received a complaint of an assault occurring in Frog Lake. The 16-year-old victim was trying to make an intoxicated adult leave his house when the suspect became extremely violent. The suspect struck the youth multiple times in the head and face before leaving the scene. During the assault, friends and family of the victim tried to hold back the suspect without success. The suspect has been identified and charges are pending. The youth did not suffer serious injuries as a result of this assault.

Quad complaints in Elk Point

Throughout the summer there have been numerous complaints of off-highway vehicles (OHV) driving on highways and alleys in the Town of Elk Point. Residents have been concerned with the speed and noise caused by these vehi-

cles. The Town of Elk Point has a bylaw in place that permits the use of OHVs on its roadways. However, the OHV must be driven at a low rate of speed, must be registered and insured and the driver must possess a valid driver's license. This bylaw only permits riders to use OHVs on town streets until 11:00 p.m.

Elk Point RCMP will be increasing patrols for OHVs within the town limits and surrounding area. Riders will be checked for proper documentation and encouraged to wear appropriate safety equipment. Should any questions arise regarding the use of OHVs in the Town of Elk Point and surrounding area, please contact the Elk Point RCMP.

Grandparents Day

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The afternoon will once again start off with a fundraising walk, with the money raised this year to be divided between the Seniors' Centre, operation of the new community handicapped-access van, and assistance for grandparents raising orphaned grandchildren in Loshoto, Africa.

Last year, proceeds were split between the seniors' centre and the Loshoto grandparents, and assisted 12 families there. Other donations went toward funding that allowed 12 Loshoto youths to attend school.

"Food helps," Anderson said, "but educating children will make a permanent change in their lives."

The planning committee agreed to add a new prize for the youngest grandparent taking part in the walk to those for most money raised, and for the oldest male and female walkers. The names of all participants bringing in over \$100 in pledges will go into a draw for an additional prize.

The community's youngsters will once again be invited to get involved in contests in the Elk Point Elementary School and in activities planned for that afternoon. Poems and bookmarks – a change from the posters of previous years – will be judged and prizes awarded in three age categories, while on-site activities will include a treasure dig and a plinko game.

Refreshments and entertainment are also on the afternoon's agenda.

Derwent hog operation burns

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"It was just amazing what they did," said Don, who also acknowledged the fact that there was no wind, which meant his shop and another nearby building were saved from the fire. Had the fire occurred the next day, the wind could have meant much more destruction would have occurred.

Firefighters worked for hours to extinguish the blaze.

But, it was not only the fire-fighters who are worthy of acknowledgment.

"Overall, the community

has been fantastic," said Don. "We've received a lot of calls."

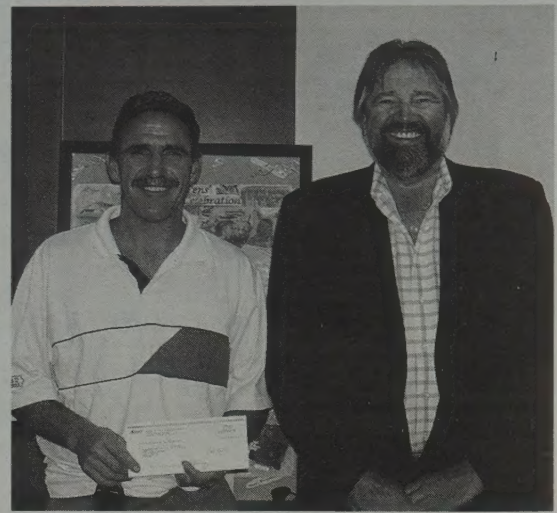
The past week also included various media organizations stopping by unexpectedly to talk to the Gulayecs, along with adjusters and inspectors making their way to the site. But, the couple has also received a number of phone calls from friends who have simply offered a listening ear when needed.

"Overall, it's been overwhelming that way as well," said Don of the support received.

The cause of the fire is still being investigated, but "At this point in time, it looks electrical," explained Don.

As for the future of the family business, there are still many unanswered questions.

"I guess it's something we have to look ahead and go to tomorrow."



Submitted photo

Lyle Frisby, on behalf of the Elk Point Youth Justice Committee, recently accepted a grant cheque of \$500 from the Hon. Fred Lindsay, Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security, presented by Minister of Municipal Affairs, the Hon. Ray Danyluk.

New school year, new superintendent

By SHAUNA BURKE

Review Contributor

As the summer comes to a close, students, teachers and education staff are beginning to get excited about the start of a new year.

"We are going into the school year with a new superintendent," said Darrell Youngmans, chairman of the St. Paul Education Regional Division school board. "We have given him a clear mandate to improve student achievement." He clarified that over the past years the schools in the area have had favourable results, but that the board would like to continue to improve wherever possible.

Superintendent Glen Brodziak confirmed that he will be working to set targets for improving academic achievement.

"We want to prove that we are using tax payers money wisely and improve test scores," said Brodziak.

St. Paul Elementary
Although workers are still putting the finishing touches on the renovations at St. Paul Elementary Community School, teachers returned to their classrooms yesterday and registrations begin today. The school will be ready for students to return to the newly renovated school on Aug. 31.

Over the last few weeks the site was a "bee hive of activity," said Jean Champagne, secretary/treasurer of SPERD. "We really

want to recognize the trades people who have been committed to meeting our deadlines. They have been going above and beyond to get it ready and it's really looking good."

Racette renovations

Students from Racette will be returning to their regular school this year. Previously SPERD had planned that students would be spending the year in part of the old Glen Avon School while Racette School was renovated. However, the project was cancelled due to a provincial government freeze on infrastructure funding. The board is still negotiating the matter with the province.

"We are meeting with (Education Minister Honorable Dave Hancock) on the 25th of August," reported Youngmans. He confirmed that he would be in attendance at the meeting along with trustees Rhonda Lafrance and Don Padlesky. Tanice Olson, chair of the Racette parent council, is also expected to attend.

Pandemic

The division will be distributing information to parents, teachers and students regarding their flu policy.

"We will be sending out information to teachers and parents," said Brodziak. Adding, the division will also be encouraging students to practice good hygiene at school. Anyone interested in the policy should watch the school division website for updates.

Early Start

Because of the early start to the school year, students will be back in school for a week before the LRA finals take place St. Paul during the September long weekend.

"The calendar was set sometime in February with board reps, teacher reps and parent reps," said Youngmans.

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Wayne Fiddler new starting quarterback for Lions

By MIKE POMERLEAU
Review Contributor

The St. Paul Lions will have just one thing in mind when the 2009 Wheatland Football League season begins in a couple of weeks - redemption.

Last week, the Lions pre-season camp opened and all the players looked eager to get back on the field and try to erase last season's disappointing playoff exit. They've got a very big team this year and are loaded with depth at every position, so there's every reason to think that the Lions will make a return to being one of the province's top football teams.

"It's a new year and we're pretty hungry to avenge that playoff loss to Westlock last year," said Lions tailback Grayson Bateyko. "We know we're better than we were last year, we got more experience than last year. And we got the guys from last year and some new guys that are ready to step up and play."

The big question entering this season is - can the Lions bounce back from last year's disappointing finish? For some, last year's loss to Westlock is still fresh in their minds. But, the Lions are confident that it's behind them and they are now out to prove it not just to the rest of the league, but to themselves also.

"As a player, last year's loss was tough, it brought tears to everybody," said lineman Nathan Gardiner. "And I feel that it's part of our responsibility to win it and go further than we did last year. We got rookies that know what it feels

to lose the big game so they're going to be ready to play the big game and step it up. It's been going through our minds this whole year."

Offensively, the team went through a massive overhaul in the off-season and has implemented a new offense into the system. They'll have a new starting QB in Wayne Fiddler, as well as a brand new receiving core and offensive line. In fact, only four starters from last year are returning for the 2009 season.

"We're very impressed in particular with the guys that have come in," said Lions coach Todd Tanasichuk. "It's nice to have a lot more depth and it's making for some tough decisions for starting jobs."

Defense, though, will remain this team's strength. The defense is laced with veterans at all positions, which means that it'll be a very experienced unit this year.

"At this point, yeah they're stronger, but that's typical in the early part of the season," said Tanasichuk. "The defense is going to be stronger than the offense. And the offense, it's all about timing for them."

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School year

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He explained that many factors are taken into account such as, provincial exam dates, staff holidays and course requirements when putting the calendar together.

"Education is our priority," Brodziak stated. "The semesters have to be balanced for the high school students."

Central office

Tenders for the construction of the new SPERD central office will close this week and according to Younghans, work on the project should begin this fall. The new central office will be located in the unoccupied portion of the St. Paul Regional High School.

Fort George and Buckingham House Provincial Historic Site at (780) 724-2611 for more information.

Musicians will be playing from noon to 5 p.m. Visitors are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs.

In addition to the jamboree, Fort George and Buckingham House will also offer guided tours of both the interpretive center and the fort sites. There will also be activities for children.

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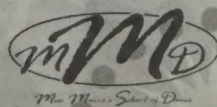
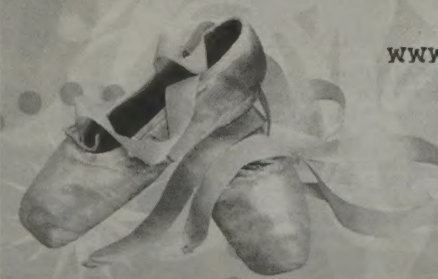
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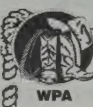
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EDITORIAL

Practice time

School begins next Monday, Aug. 31, and with back-to-school comes the all important back-to-school-zones.

In Elk Point, what would be our school zones are playground zones, which makes them a place to slow down all the time, all year long. However, in other communities we visit, whether small as Heinsburg or large as Edmonton, this is not always the case, so keep a close watch for either one.

It's a given fact that children are unpredictable, so it is always a good idea to slow down where they may be walking, foot-dragging or running on their way to school and back. They may have gotten out of practice at being aware of traffic over the summer, and they also may be excited about getting back together with their friends.

Let's all slow down and keep their back-to-school experiences safe and happy this year.

WAY BACK WHEN...

Grand, grant, golf and games

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1984

Pat Bekker was declared Elk Point Fair's Grand Aggregate winner for the second year in a row, totaling up section wins in arts and crafts, sewing, and knitting and crochet for the honour. Town council applied for a \$16,472 grant from the Canada Works Program to complete the redevelopment of Markstad Park.

1989

Elk Point Oilmen hosted their sixth annual golf tournament, with Ken McCaw first, Ed Soldan second, Terry Rae third and Ken Garwasiuk fourth in the championship flight and 136 golfers taking part. Clayton Holthe and Tyson Stafford won silver in fast-pitch softball, and Amy Hawkins bronze in Junior I Girls Single tennis at the Alberta Summer Games in Brooks, while Corey Twarog of Heinsburg brought home a bronze as part of the North East Alberta Boys volleyball team.

1994

Art Britton was named the champion of the Elk Point Oilmen's Golf Tournament for the second time in three years, with 112 golfers taking part in the 11th annual event. Elk Point Surface Rights Association honoured departing Pan Canadian Petroleum superintendent Bryan Campbell, with words of praise coming from EPSRA president Alban Bugej at a reception in Campbell's honour.

1999

It took 16 years, but finally there was a Hole in One winner at the Elk Point Oilmen's Golf Tournament, that honour claimed by Tom Parenteau, who won a brand new quad, sponsored by TriCan, in addition to winning his second Oilmen's championship flight, the first being in 1990. Parents, teachers and students of F. G. Miller High School were all set to make positive changes in the approaching school year, with plans for an English literacy course and a new discipline policy, after increasing overall diploma results averages at the school by 7.2 per cent in the past two years.

2004

Robyn Moroziuk won a tiebreaking extra hole over Sean Hill to win the 21st annual Elk Point Oilmen's Golf Tournament, where 16 flights of golfers enjoyed three days of competition and good times. There were showers and surprises at the Midwest Rodeo Association's fifth season finals at Lea Park, where Bob Cook revived the art of Roman riding he'd perfected 20 years earlier, before dropping down on one knee in the infield to propose to a very surprised Ann Maxwell.



GUEST COLUMN

Back to school

Back to school this year happens on Monday August 31st. As parents, we are wishing the best for our children and we may be having some thoughts of how best to help our children become successful students. Numerous factors contribute to a child's success in school, but research groups such as the Harvard Family research Project agree that parental involvement and influence weigh heavily among them.

Parents can integrate some of these healthy habits into your regular routine:

Make reading an integral part of your home life. Read aloud to your children or set aside quiet time each day in which your family can sit together and read silently.

Use your daily time with your children wisely. When you are in the car or walking to the school bus, talk to your kids about what they are learning in school, or prompt a conversation about a topic that they find interesting and intriguing.

Know what interests your child, and encourage them to explore those subjects.

Provide a quiet and comfortable learning environment for your children. The discord of raising kids, preparing meals, tending to scrapes, and cleaning spills can make any home environment pretty chaotic. Try to find some space where your children can do homework,



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read, study, or think in comfort and without distraction.

Keep a positive attitude about school. Never refer to school as a drag, or make it seem the attending class is a chore. Keep your kids excited about learning, and eager to share their daily discoveries.

Overwhelming evidence suggests that students' success stems in part from their parents' involvement in their school. Research shows that when parents and teachers are in touch, children are more likely to do well in school.

Here are some ways to get involved with your child's school:

Join the PTA or a parent advisory board. Participate in shaping program policy so that you have a say in how your children are affected.

Volunteer. Contact your children's teachers and ask if you can help out any time. Maybe the school needs volunteers.

Chat with the teachers. When you drop your children off or pick them up, say hello to the teachers and talk for a few minutes.

Help at home. When your child has a project or needs assistance with homework, make yourself available to help. Don't take over or do the work for your children, but act as your child's assistant and let him/her take the reins. Stay aware of your children's assignments and knowledgeable about what they are learning.

Support the school or academic program. Get involved in fund-raisers. Offer to help. Make the goals of the school your own goals.

Stay in touch with the parents of your child's classmates. Create a network of parents, so that you all are kept apprised of what is happening in the classroom. Other parents can be a very useful resource, so share information and advice.

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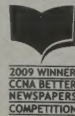
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The citizens of Elk Point gathered Aug. 15 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to share lunch and view the progress of their newest adventure in tourism promotion, which melds the history of Elk Point with the future of the community.

"The Elk Point Visitor Information 'Eco' Centre is proceeding right on schedule", says Elk Point's economic development coordinator, Bob Bezpalko. "When the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce decided Elk Point needed a larger and more attractive visitor centre, a decision was made to build it with the exterior being a replica of the original CN train station built in 1927. This new centre sits on the exact location of the former station and will showcase Alberta's Iron Horse Trail as well as our vibrant downtown.

"We decided that we wanted to be more than just another train station and are building a Visitor Information ECO Centre. With the green options we are integrating into this project, we feel it will be a green project showcase for northeast Alberta.

"The second floor will feature our Eco Education Room, where visitors, residents and students can obtain information on the green options we have used, as well as information on the environmental friendly practices that companies are using in the oil, gas and agriculture industry in our area.

"Some of the green technologies we are incorporating for phase one", continues Bezpalko, "are solar panels for power, wind turbine for wind power, solar lighting and a swamp cooler for cooling the interior. Phase two will include solar heat tubes for in-floor heating".

To learn more about this project, visit Elk Point, "The Right Place To Be" at www.elkpoint.ca or call the town office at 780-724-3810

Summer Reading Program wraps up with a party

BY NICOLE LABRIE

Elk Point Municipal Library

Well, it looks like summer is finally coming to an end. With the ending of summer comes another closing of the Elk Point Municipal Library's Summer Reading Program.

This year's theme was 'Agent 009', so the kids were able to read stories and do crafts and activities while learning about being spies and detectives.

We had a pretty good turnout of kids this year for both the preschool group and the elementary student group. While we usually stayed in the library for our sessions, we were able to take a few trips to the park, and even a trip to the RCMP Detachment. We appreciate Cst. Bullock taking us on a tour of the station and having the patience to deal with such a big group of kids.

Our wrap-up party was held at the library where the kids were treated to a few carnival-style games and a scavenger hunt outside. Thankfully, the rain let up long enough for the kids to find all of their items! They enjoyed popcorn donated by Elk Point Co-op and doughnuts donated by Golden Loaf Bakery. This year, Mrs. Urquhart, library board chair Laverne Wilson and librarian Daphne Schnurer helped us with all of our activities.

We enjoyed all of the kids who came to the program this summer. We hope you all had fun at the program, and that you come again next summer.

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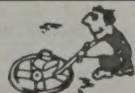
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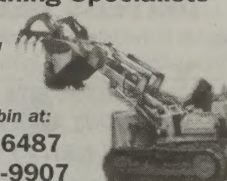
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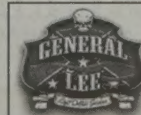


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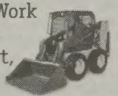
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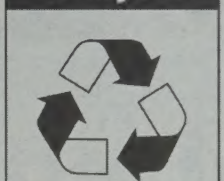
Lions

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Looking ahead, the Lions are confident they can return to the form that made them back-to-back WFL champions in 2006 and 2007. They have big plans of getting past their league and then heading to provincials. One thing's for sure though, they're out to prove that they're still the team to beat in the WFL.

"Last year, we knew where we were at coming in, it was a rebuilding year," said Tanasichuk. "Yeah we might have something to prove, there might be a few teams that are taking us a bit lighter now because of last year but that's good. I guess when the real bullets fly, we'll see how much we've improved."

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Evan "Ernie" Joly received the provincial tournament MVP award. "Ernie" pitched two complete games, winning both, against Cold Lake in the first game of the weekend and against Rocky Mountain House in the semi final, and also lead the team in batting with a .619 average for the weekend.

Bengals open season Saturday

By Mike Pomerleau
Review Contributor

The St. Paul Bengals are ready for another smash mouth season of football. The Bengals opened training camp a week ago and after working out the kinks from the spring layoff, the Bengals now have their sights set on the opening weekend of the Wheatland Bantam Football League season.

After the first week of camp, Bengals coach Randall Kry's likes what he sees from his new group. Everything now looks ready to go for their first game of the '09 campaign on Saturday.

"(It was) the usual first couple of days. We had some timing issues and we spent a lot of time working on getting that down. The defence looks good, it's early on and that's the bright spot right now. . . It's just working at getting better."

To open the season, you couldn't ask for a tougher test, because the Bengals will open the season in Lloydminster against the Chargers, last season's Tier III provincial champions. Playing them is tough enough already, but playing

them on their home turf might prove more difficult.

Still, it is a new season and Kry's is more than confident that his group can matchup with anyone of the Chargers' players. The key to victory is to take advantage of the little things like field position and turnovers, and to stay disciplined.

"We're going to have to be a very disciplined ball club and take advantage of the opportunities that they give us and capitalize on those," he said. "I think we're pretty well evenly matched but it'll be a matter of which team will be able to absorb what they learned in spring camp."

Kry's also talked about the importance of getting off to a good start this season. If they can win their first two games of the season or go 1-1, then they're in pretty good shape heading into the bye week.

"It's huge, especially with a club like ours. We need to feed off the momentum of a good start."

Another key to a successful season for the Bengals is life after the bye week. They have a tough schedule following the bye week and will need to be at their best. Many of

those games, might decide playoff seeding.

"It'll be more challenging than the opening of the season I think," said Kry's. "You play two games, you wait and then come back and you have a really tough test the rest of the way. And that does have me worried, but you got to deal with it."

The Bengals are very excited to get their new season underway though. They have a lot of speed this year, and they have some size too that might cause the other teams some problems. The key though will be working as a team and staying consistent, said Kry's.

"We got a great group of guys to work with, they're probably one of the more closer knit teams that we've had and I couldn't ask for better. So yeah, we're thrilled to go to battle with these 26 guys."

The Bengals' game against the Chargers will be at Armstrong Field starting at 1 p.m., Saturday. Their home opener will be the following week as they'll take on the Lac La Biche Drillers at the St. Paul Regional High School field, with kickoff at 1 p.m.

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